CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

An image receptive medium comprising

 a substrate having a first and a second surface;
 a non-porous image layer printed on at least a portion of the first surface of the substrate;

an ink receptive layer selectively applied on at least one predetermined area of the nonporous image layer and a portion of the first surface of the substrate, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an inkjet ink.

- 2. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the substrate is planar and comprises a thermoplastic or a paper material.
- 3. The image receptive medium of claim 2, wherein the thermoplastic material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylchloride, and polyethylene terephthalate.
- 4. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the non-porous image layer is printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate by a printing process selected from the group consisting of a gravure process, an off-set process, a flexographic process, a lithographic process, an electrographic process, an electrophotographic process, an ion deposition process, a magnetographics process, an inkjet printing process, a screen printing process, and a thermal mass transfer process.
- 5. The image receptive medium of claim 4, wherein the non-porous image layer is printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate by a screen printing process.

- 6. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the non-porous image layer is a dried solvent-based printing ink.
- 7. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the non-porous image layer is a cured ultra-violet curable printing ink.
- 8. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to a solvent-based inkjet ink.
- 9. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an aqueous inkjet ink.
- 10. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the ink receptive layer is a solvent-based coating.
- 11. The image receptive medium of claim 1, wherein the ink receptive layer is an ultra-violet curable coating.
- 12. The image receptive medium of claim 11, wherein the ultra-violet curable coating further comprises granules dispersed in the coating to facilitate the absorption of the inkjet ink.
- 13. The image receptive medium of claim 12, wherein the granules are preferably located substantially near the surface of the ultra-violet curable coating.
- 14. A display advertising system for displaying a visual advertising message formed of a first printed fixed visual component and at least one customizable printed component comprising:

a substrate having a first and a second surface and having thereon at least a portion of the first surface of the fixed visual component of the advertising message; and

an ink receptive layer selectively positioned on a predetermined area of the fixed visual component and a portion of the first surface of the substrate, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an inkjet ink.

- 15. The display advertising system of claim 14, wherein the substrate is planar and comprises a thermoplastic or a paper material.
- 16. The display advertising system of claim 15, wherein the thermoplastic material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylchloride, and polyethylene terephthalate.
- 17. The display advertising system of claim 14, wherein the fixed visual component is printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate by a printing process selected from the group consisting of a gravure process, an off-set process, a flexographic process, a lithographic process, an electrographic process, an electrophotographic process, an ion deposition process, a magnetographics process, an inkjet printing process, a screen printing process, and a thermal mass transfer process.
- 18. The display advertising system of claim 17, wherein the fixed visual component is printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate by a screen printing process.
- 19. The display advertising system of claim 14, wherein the fixed visual component is a dried solvent-based printing ink.
- 20. The image receptive medium of claim 14, wherein the non-porous image layer is a cured ultra-violet curable printing ink.

- 21. The image receptive medium of claim 14, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to a solvent-based inkjet ink.
- 22. The image receptive medium of claim 14, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an aqueous inkjet ink.
- 23. The display advertising system of claim 14, wherein the ink receptive layer is a solvent-based coating.
- 24. The display advertising system of claim 14, wherein the ink receptive layer is an ultraviolet curable coating.
- 25. The image receptive medium of claim 24, wherein the ultra-violet curable coating further comprises granules dispersed in the coating to facilitate the absorption of the inkjet ink.
- 26. The image receptive medium of claim 25, wherein the granules are preferably located substantially near the surface of the ultra-violet curable coating.
- 27. An advertising media comprising:
 - a thermoplastic substrate having a first and a second surface;
- an ink layer, wherein the layer includes an ink selected from the group consisting of a solvent, aqueous, and UV-curable based ink, printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate, wherein the ink layer forms a non-porous image layer; and

an inkjet receptive ink layer selectively applied on a predetermined area of the nonporous image layer and a portion of the first surface of the substrate, wherein the inkjet receptive layer is a composite selected from the group consisting of a solvent-based material, an aqueousbased material, and a UV-curable material, and wherein the inkjet receptive ink layer is receptive to an inkjet ink.

- 28. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the thermoplastic substrate is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylchloride, and polyethylene terephthalate.
- 29. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the non-porous image layer is printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate by a printing process selected from the group consisting of a gravure process, an off-set process, a flexographic process, a lithographic process, an electrographic process, an ion deposition process, a magnetographics process, an inkjet printing process, a screen printing process, and a thermal mass transfer process.
- 30. The advertising media of claim 29, wherein the non-porous image layer is printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate by a screen printing process.
- 31. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the non-porous image layer is a dried solvent-based printing ink.
- 32. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the non-porous image layer is a cured ultraviolet curable printing ink.
- 33. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to a solvent-based inkjet ink.
- 34. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an aqueous inkjet ink.
- 35. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the ink receptive layer is a solvent-based coating.

- 36. The advertising media of claim 27, wherein the ink receptive layer is an ultra-violet curable coating.
- 37. The advertising media of claim 36, wherein the ultra-violet curable coating further comprises granules dispersed in the coating to facilitate the absorption of the inkjet ink.
- 38. The advertising media of claim 37, wherein the granules are preferably located substantially near the surface of the ultra-violet curable coating.
- 39. A method of providing an image receptive medium comprising the steps of: providing a substrate having a first and a second surface; printing a non-porous image layer on a portion of the first surface of the substrate; and applying an ink receptive layer on a predetermined area of the non-porous image layer and a portion of the first surface of the substrate, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an inkjet ink.
- 40. The method of claim 39, wherein the substrate is planar and comprises a thermoplastic or a paper material.
- 41. The method of claim 40, wherein the thermoplastic material is selected from the group consisting of polyethylene, polypropylene, polyvinylchloride, and polyethylene terephthalate.
- 42. The method of claim 39, wherein the non-porous image layer is printed on a portion the first surface of the substrate by a printing process selected from the group consisting of a gravure process, an off-set process, a flexographic process, a lithographic process, an electrographic process, an electrophotographic process, an ion deposition process, a magnetographics process, an inkjet printing process, a screen printing process, and a thermal mass transfer process.

- 43. The method of claim 42, wherein the non-porous image layer is printed on the first surface of the substrate by a screen printing process.
- 44. The method of claim 39, wherein the non-porous image layer is a dried solvent-based printing ink.
- 45. The method of claim 39, wherein the non-porous image layer is a cured ultra-violet curable printing ink.
- 46. The method of claim 39, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to a solvent-based inkjet ink.
- 47. The method of claim 39, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an aqueous inkjet ink.
- 48. The method of claim 39, wherein the ink receptive layer is a solvent-based coating.
- 49. The method of claim 39, wherein the ink receptive layer is an ultra-violet curable coating.
- 50. The image receptive medium of claim 49, wherein the ultra-violet curable coating further comprises granules dispersed in the coating to facilitate the absorption of the inkjet ink.
- 51. The image receptive medium of claim 50, wherein the granules are preferably located substantially near the surface of the ultra-violet curable coating.
- 52. A method of facilitating a business relationship between a first party and a second party comprising the steps of:

preparing an image receptive medium by the first party, wherein the first party is an advertiser, and wherein the medium comprises;

a substrate having a first and a second surface;

a non-porous image layer printed on a portion of the first surface of the substrate; and an ink receptive layer selectively applied on a predetermined area of the non-porous image layer and a portion of the first surface of the substrate, wherein the ink receptive layer is receptive to an inkjet ink;

sending the image receptive medium to the second party, wherein the second party is a local distributor; and wherein the second party prints a customized and a detailed image onto the ink receptive layer for advertising purposes; and

having the second party distribute the customized image receptive medium to at least one local proprietor.